

U.S. Department of Transportation

Federal Highway Administration

Transportation, Community, and System Preservation Program (TCSP)

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Program Information:

TCSP provides funding for planning, implementation, and research grants to focus on the relationship between transportation, community, and system preservation.

Eligibility:

- States
- Metropolitan Planning Organizations
- Local Governments
- Tribal Governments

The list above are considered eligible recipients of the TCSP program grant funds, which include towns, cities, public transit agencies, air resources boards, and school boards. Non-governmental organizations should partner with an eligible recipient to sponsor the project in order to receive funding.

Selection Criteria:

- Improve the efficiency of the transportation system.
- Reduce the impacts of transportation on the environment.
- Reduce the need for costly future public infrastructure.
- Ensure efficient access to jobs, services and centers of trade.
- Encourage private sector development patterns.

Funding:

Available funding for 2009-\$61.25 million

2008 Funding Statistics

- Total Funding: \$53,466,530
- Total Projects: 102 Projects in 36 States
- Largest Project: Illinois Trails, IL-\$2,940,000

Application Process:

1. Information sufficient for us to identify the project and expected results
2. Information about the work to be performed sufficient for us to compare it to the appropriations language
3. Primary contact information for each project

Once the funding is supplied, the recipient must provide status reports on the progress and implementations of the project.

Recommendation:

I recommend Transportation, Community, and System Preservation Program for groups considering funding in the area of transportation. The programs focus is on state and local governments, and large planning organizations. This is a program that concentrates on large projects that consist of improvements of highways, bike paths, roads, signals, bridges, drainage, infrastructure, etc. that help preserve community and address environmental impacts related to transportation.

U.S. Department of Transportation: Mission Statement

Serve the United States by ensuring a fast, safe, efficient, accessible and convenient transportation system that meets our vital national interests and enhances the quality of life of the American people, today and into the future.

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Improve Mobility on our Nation's Highways Through National Leadership, Innovation and Program Delivery

